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1. Vicko Krstulovic and Bozidar Maslaric, both members of the Communist Government of Croatia, were examined before a special Committee of the Central Committee of the Yugoslav Communist Party, to which they had to give explanations about certain facts which had been reported to the Party.
2. The examination took three full days, in 25X1 the Villa Madera, where part of the offices of the Central Committee of the CPY are located.
3. The members of the investigating Committee were: Boris Kidric, Veljko Vlahovic and Ljubo Babic. In all, 20 witnesses were called before the Commission, most of them officials of their respective ministries.
4. The conclusions of the Commission were: Krstulovia and Maslaric did not trust the Central Committee of the CPY nor the Yugoslav Government. They were lacking enthusiasm for the cause of Communism and did not show sufficient "elan" for their assigned tasks.
5. The Commission proposed: both should be expelled from the membership of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Yugoslavia and from the government, and they should both be at the disposal of the Central Committee CPY for any further direction.
6. This proposal was accepted. The fact, that they were not punished with much greater severity, is due to the consideration given to their having avoided any contacts with elements opposed to the Communist Party and that they did not take part in any agitation against the government.
7. The Central Committee has also ordered that they should be set free at once.
8. Further measure: the decision taken concerning Krstulovic and Maslaric will be communicated to the Central Committee of the CP in the various Republics and to the CC of the provincial organizations of the CP (oblasni, which means a sub-division of the republic's administration), as well as to the General Staff of the Army and to the Party Committees within the Army.

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